

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 15 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 16 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 15 Feb 2021 at 02:04 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a generally changeable and unsettled week and milder than of late. Some uncertainty in the details of rain or snow, particularly from Wednesday onwards.

Headline for Monday 15 Feb 2021: Mainly cloudy with a few showers. Windy and mild.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 15 Feb 2021

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

High Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Fog	Cloudy	Cloudy	Light rain showers	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	20%	30%	20%	20%

Forecast for Monday 15 Feb 2021

Weather: Cloudy across most ranges but also some bright intervals. A few showers, falling as sleet on the high Munro tops. A band of heavier rain or summit sleet will move northeast across most ranges early in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20%.

Visibility: Areas of low cloud with bases 600-800m giving spells of very poor visibility on the tops. Generally good below the cloud base.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	39/47 S	35/44 S	36/45 S	33/42 S	30/39 S	31/40 SE	43/57 SE
900	24/33 S	22/30 S	24/33 S	23/33 S	22/31 S	22/30 SE	31/43 SE
600	29/35 S	24/30 S	33/42 S	30/38 S	27/35 S	25/33 SE	37/49 SE
300	12/18 S	14/20 S	19/29 S	16/25 S	15/25 S	16/26 SE	22/35 SE
Glen	7/14 SW	7/16 S	10/24 S	13/26 S	7/18 S	9/23 SE	16/35 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	-0/-9	-1/-10	-1/-10	-0/-8	-1/-8	-1/-9	-1/-10
900	1/-6	0/-6	1/-6	2/-5	2/-5	1/-5	1/-6
600	5/-1	4/-1	5/-1	4/-2	5/-0	6/0	5/-2
300	7/4	6/2	6/2	7/3	7/3	6/2	6/1
Glen	7/5	7/5	8/6	9/6	8/6	7/5	8/4
Freezing Level*	1300m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1300m	1300m	1400m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Milder conditions than recently with a steady thaw but still feeling cold on the tops with a significant wind chill. Windy, with gusts of 50mph on high ridges and summits.

Forecast for Tuesday 16 Feb 2021

Weather: Very unsettled with spells of rain during the morning, turning to sleet or snow above 900m. Bright spells and showers in the afternoon, with snow above 700m. Very windy conditions.

Maximum wind: South or southwest 40mph with gusts 60-70mph in the morning, easing slowly during afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30%, becoming 70% in the afternoon.

Visibility: Extensive cloud cover with bases 600-800m giving very poor visibility on the tops in the morning. Improving through the afternoon as cloud turns patchier, becoming good at most elevations.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 to 8C.
At 800m: Plus 2C lowering to 0C later.
Freezing level: 1300m falling to 800 or 900m.